

Appl. No. 09/724,910

Supplemental Response to Office Action dated 08/09/05

Supplemental Response dated February 13, 2006

REMARKS

Applicant files this supplemental reply in accordance with MPEP 714.03(a)(2) and requests that it be entered. This supplemental reply supplements Applicant's reply dated February 9, 2006 which was a bona fide attempt to reply to Examiner's office action of August 9, 2005. In the February 9, 2006 reply, claims 34 – 45 were withdrawn when they should have been cancelled. This supplemental reply is limited to cancelling all withdrawn claims. Support for entering this supplemental reply may be found at MPEP 714.03(a)(2)(A).

714.03(a) >Supplemental< Amendment ** [R-3]

(2) Supplemental replies. (i) A reply that is supplemental to a reply that is in compliance with § 1.111(b) will not be entered as a matter of right except as provided in paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of this section. The Office may enter a supplemental reply if the supplemental reply is clearly limited to:

- (A) Cancellation of a claim(s);
- (B) Adoption of the examiner suggestion(s);
- (C) Placement of the application in condition for allowance;
- (D) Reply to an Office requirement made after the first reply was filed;
- (E) Correction of informalities (e.g., typographical errors); or
- (F) Simplification of issues for appeal.

Applicant thanks Examiner for his consideration of this matter.

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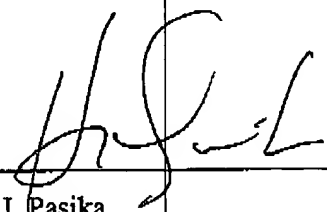
FEE AUTHORIZATION and REQUEST FOR TIME EXTENSION

If any additional fees not submitted with this response are required, please take such fees from Applied Biosystems Deposit Account No. 01-2213 (Order No. 4615).

Respectfully submitted,

Date: _____

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